

WELCOME!

OPEN HOUSE

6:00pm

Thursday September 19th, 2018



Dorothy C. Goodwin
Elementary School
A Whale of a School



Tonight's Goals

- Deeper understanding of our routines, practices, and expectations
- Further develop our collective partnership and community
- Build curiosity and anticipation





Goodwin's Mission

Goodwin is

EMPOWERED

to provide all students with

RESPONSIVE CHILD-CENTERED LEARNING EXPERIENCES

resulting in

CONFIDENT, RESPECTFUL, AND ENGAGED LEARNERS.



RISE: School Wide Expectations

Goodwin Whales RISE as we...

Respect

Ideas and individuals,

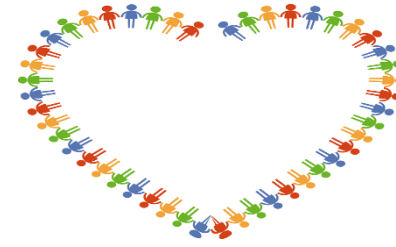
Safety, and our

Environment





Kindness Project



Yearlong Theme of Kindness

Each Month will have a Focus

See Mrs. Titchen





Continuous Improvement: School Development Plan

Student Centered Learning

When learning is student-centered,

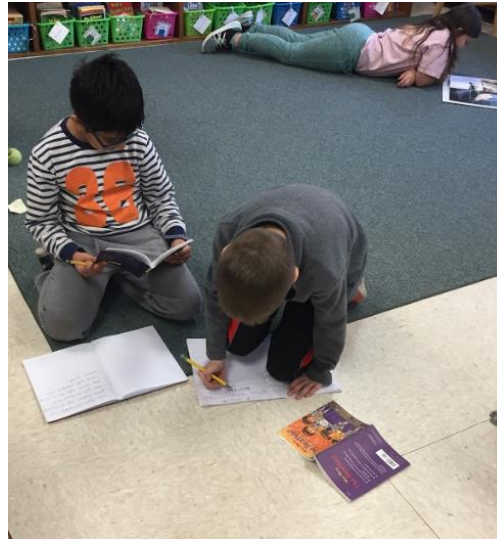
- The **student takes ownership** of learning and builds understanding through exploration and development of passions and interests.
- The **teacher understands the student** and the content and encourages risk-taking while providing feedback and support to facilitate learning.
- The **tasks are authentic**, afford the opportunity for higher-order thinking, and intentionally build upon foundational knowledge to promote growth.



Continuous Improvement: School Development Plan

Student Centered Learning

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- Teacher understands the student
- Tasks are authentic





Continuous Improvement: School Development Plan

School Climate and Connectedness

- Families **engage in activities that inform** them about our school's instructional practices, curriculum, goals, assessments, and student support processes and programs in relationship to their child's academic and social/emotional learning and progress.
- Students and families will partner with classroom teachers and the school through **effective, timely communication that is informative and clear.**



Engagement & Communication

Participate, Learn, Share, Ask, Expect

- Family Coffee/Tea & Workshops
- Remind/SeeSaw apps, Classroom Newsletters
- PTO Meetings & Events
- November Family Conferences
- Friday Folders and emailed Weekly Notices
- School Calendar of Events
- Celebrations of Learning/Town Meetings
- Visit our School Website
- Call, Email, & Visit





Family Coffee/Tea and Workshop

Monthly Gatherings

Friday October 11th 8:35-9:30am

- **Readers Workshop**
gr 3 Teacher Mrs. Jankowski
- **Kindergarten Curriculum & Expectations**
K Teacher Mrs. Haggerty

Can't make it?

PTO Meetings- will share information from workshops



Arrival/Dismissal Reminders

- Dropping Students Off
 - 8:35-8:50
 - Please wait to make sure staff is present before dropping off
 - After 8:50 you will need to walk the student in
- Notify the Office and Teacher by 12pm of any dismissal changes
- Afterschool Program is run by Parks & Recreation at Goodwin
 - Best to include Office and Teacher of any changes
- Bus Delays as reported by M & J Co.
 - Mornings 15 minutes or more we will text families
 - Afternoons if buses leave Goodwin after 4pm



Goodwin Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO)

President: **Kristen Ricci**

Vice President: **Niva Ranjeet**

Secretary: **Acey Neel**

Treasurer: **Matt Hancock**

What does your PTO do?

- Coordinates family events such as the ice cream social and the Big Whale Bash
- Supports teachers through grants, enrichment funds, and appreciation luncheons
- Supports students and families in need of financial assistance
- Provides museum membership passes to the public library for all to use

If you'd like to get involved:

- Look for opportunities sent out through the PTO email
- Read the take home notices each Friday
- Come to a PTO meeting



To join the email list please send a message saying "add me" to gwwhaletales@gmail.com



November Conference Sign Up

- Parent/Guardian/Family Conferences
- Monday 11/25 evening
- Tuesday 11/26 day
- Sign Up Tables are in the Gym
- Visit Community Partners including our PTO

